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CREATING ENVIRONMENT WHERE MIST OF THE CHARGED
FINE PARTICULATE WATER IS DISPERSED

SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir :

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- (1) U.S. Patent No. 4,680,163 (BLIDSCHUN et al.), July 14, 1987;
- (2) WO 02/30163 A1, April 11, 2002; and
- (3) EP 1 146 057 A1, October 17, 2001.

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Copies of above-listed documents (with the exception of the U.S. Patent) and the Supplementary European Search Report for the International Patent Application No. PCT/JP2004/007593 are enclosed together with a complete copy of the PTO-1449 Form listing these documents. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to consider these documents and to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form, and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicants with the next official communication in the present application.

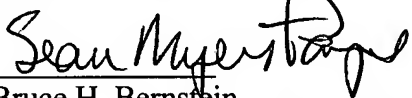
Further to 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(ii), a copy of the U.S. patent is not enclosed herewith. However, if a copy is needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicants note that this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after a Notice of Allowance and on or before the payment of the issue fee. Accordingly, the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) and the statement under 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (e) are necessary for consideration of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement. Applicants enclose herewith a check including the amount necessary. However, if any other fee is deemed necessary to ensure the consideration of the submitted documents, the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

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Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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